

In response to a recent enquiry regarding 'hard to recycle' materials, Parish and District councillors have been investigating some possible solutions. Siting a new recycling bin in the Parish proved to be quite problematic hence we asked MDDC whether there are any plans to include this type of recycling material in with the kerbside collection. Here is a summary of the response we received from MDDC:

"... there are no plans currently in place for the collection of crisp packet or pet food sachets at the kerbside.

The reason behind this is that we are currently concentrating on large volume items that residents can recycle at the kerbside i.e. Glass, Cardboard, Plastic etc, this is because we only have a certain amount of apertures within the lorries that we collect recycling in and they have been designated for the items we currently collect.

We concentrate on large volume items which have a large market of re-processors as this drastically reduces the amount of waste ending up in the general waste stream and allows us to choose ethical companies which will give us the best rates for our materials.

Pet food sachets and crisps packets can be recycled through a Terracycle collection point. Local Terracycle collection points can be located by entering your postcode and the material you would like to recycle on their website.

Crediton and Tiverton Libraries have collection points for crisp packets that go to Terracycle.

Terracycle is a great way to recycle hard to recycle items and they donate a lot of money to charities."

As a Parish Council we will continue to look at other options for recycling of hard to recycle items and will keep you updated on our progress.

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